

Dear Praying Friends and Supporters:

Thought I would include a few pictures from our last mission trip to Ecuador a couple weeks ago. A group of 18 from New Castle Bible Church in Illinois made up my team and what a great variety of professions! Doctors, Dentists, nurses, a farmer and his daughter, a policeman, electrician, builder, a retired pastor, a couple of missionaries, and I'm sure I missed someone. A great team spirit was demonstrated and each one shared Christ in their own way even though there was a language barrier.



Since there was plenty of help in the medical and dental field, (which *that* has never happened ☺), Dr. Jenny, my Ecuadorian co-worker, asked if I would translate for the electrician and builder since there were so many homes seriously in need of rewiring. Many of the children who attended Jenny's schooling program lived in these poor "short circuited" homes, and the work went so much better since I could translate!

This was a building designed to be a whore house, but now 17 ex-prostitutes hold Bible Studies and 120



children are schooled, fed, and hear the Word of God.

This is also one of the places our team set up their clinics as you can see people waiting to be treated. Jenny asked if we would help rewire the home of Rosita, one of the ex-prostitute's home that was damaged in the last earthquake. She's refused to move because the government has promised repairs ...but has had too many delays. This picture is



her home.

As the men were working, I sat with Rosita and asked her to tell me how life was before Jenny set up her kids club and if there had been any changes. Rosita had an injured hip from a stray bullet that hit her in the hip from a nearby gang fight and she couldn't get around without crutches. She couldn't stop praising the Lord for Jenny, stating that before Jenny came EVERY week-end there were killings on her street. One time there were four killed in front of her house. Prostitution, drug dealings, and gang fights were ramped. However, during the five years Jenny has been ministering in her neighborhood, there has not been one murder on that street. THAT is the Power of the Gospel!!

I scheduled an extra week on this trip so I could travel out to the jungle to visit the work we started four years ago among the Waorani Indians. I asked my co-worker, Sandro, if he would drive Pastor Phil, Alan and me out there. Pastor Phil was asked to preach that Sunday and so as he spoke in English, I translated in Spanish



and Jose translated to the congregation in Waorani.

Such a precious time of fellowship! The Indians were so encouraged hearing the Word. We were fed lunch in a typical Waorani



thatched building with some of the believers there.

Before we left I wanted to get a picture with Humberto and Pedro Jr., my two co-workers, who are heading up work with the Waoranis in front of their church that was dedicated two years ago.



I have a special prayer request for a trip Jose, the Waorani, and Humberto are planning in November. It's a two day canoe trip down river taking them to an unreached Waorani settlement. These Indians live exactly like they did when the five missionaries were killed back in 1957. These men plan on taking pots and pans, machetes, axes, candles, matches, etc. and placing them out on the beach to lure these Indians out, like the five missionaries did. Then they plan on hiding on the other side of the river to see if any of them will come out to get these gifts. The advantage that these men have over the five martyred missionaries is that they can speak these Indians native tongue, something the slain missionaries were not able to do.

It would be a dream of mine to go along but told Jose a gringo like me would stick out like a sore thumb and I'd probably get hit with a blow gun dart. ☹

What really encouraged my heart was seeing these Indian men with such a passion to reach their own people for Christ and willing to put their life on the line. They know time is short and want to do all they can to touch these unreached Indians for Christ. It could be dangerous for them but they are not worried. So please put November on your prayer list and let's pray for victory on this trip.

I returned so encouraged seeing all what God continues to do: over 300 patients treated, the gospel shared every night thru film and salvation accepted by many. And praise the Lord....no hassles!! I just want to thank you again for being a part of all this through your prayers and support.

Serving the King together,

Al and Connie